

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A home delivery system comprising:

a sender terminal unit installed at a sender end and that is arranged to transmit a first request ~~requesting~~ to send a package,

a receiver terminal unit installed at a receiver end that is ~~being~~ to receive the package, and

a distribution center unit installed at a distribution center that is arranged to collect and deliver ~~collecting and delivering~~ the package, said distribution center unit being ~~connected to said sender terminal unit and said receiver terminal unit through a network;~~

wherein said distribution center unit receives from said sender terminal unit the first request to send the package from the sender end to the receiver end, the first request including an identity of the sender end, said distribution center unit generating directions from the distribution center to the sender end based on the first request so that the distribution center is able to pick up the package at the sender end, a ~~request specification information for requesting to deliver the~~

~~package, picks up from said request specification information a sender identity information of the sender end, and generates by referring to said sender identity information a collecting direction information for directing the distribution center to pick up the package~~

wherein said first request also includes a desired date and time when the package is to be picked up at the sender end;  
and

wherein said distribution center unit generates instructions to the distribution center to pick up the package on the desired date and time at the sender end based on the first request.

2. (canceled)

3. (currently amended) A home delivery system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said distribution center unit generates, by referring to said first request, ~~specification information~~ a package identity that specifies information for ~~specifying~~ the sender end, the package, and the receiver end,

wherein said distribution center unit asks ~~sends to~~ said receiver terminal unit, by referring to said package identity, ~~information an asking information for asking to send to~~ said distribution center unit the desired date and time when the receiver end requests to receive the package,

wherein said distribution center unit receives from said receiver terminal unit ~~a receiving date information~~

~~representing~~ the desired date and time when the receiver requests to receive the package, and generates ~~by referring to said receiving date information a delivery direction information for directing directions for~~ the distribution center ~~to visit the receiver end and~~ to deliver the package on the desired date and time ~~represented by said receiving date information.~~

4. (currently amended) A home delivery system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said distribution center unit sends to said sender terminal unit ~~a delivery finish~~ information ~~representing~~ that the package has been delivered to the receiver end.

5. (currently amended) A home delivery method carried out by a home delivery system comprising a sender terminal unit installed at a sender end and that sends a first request ~~requesting~~ to send a package, a receiver terminal unit installed at a receiver end that is being to receive the package, and a distribution center unit installed at a distribution center that is arranged to collect and deliver ~~collecting and delivering~~ the package ~~[[and]]~~ , the distribution center unit being connected to said sender terminal unit and said receiver terminal unit through a network;

wherein said distribution center unit carries out the steps of:

receiving from said sender terminal unit the first request ~~a request specification information for requesting~~ to deliver the package;

picking up from said first request specification information an identity information of the sender end; [[and]]

generating, by referring to said identity, directions for information ~~a collecting direction information for directing~~ the distribution center to pick up the package,

wherein the first request also includes a desired date and time for picking up the package at the sender end; and

wherein said distribution center unit generates directions for the distribution center to pick up the package on the desired date and time based on the first request.

6. (canceled)

7. (currently amended) A home delivery method as claimed in claim 5, wherein said distribution center unit generates, by referring to said first request, specification information ~~a package identity that specifies information for specifying~~ the sender end, the package, and the receiver end,

wherein said distribution center unit asks ~~sends to~~ said receiver terminal unit, by referring to said package identity, information ~~an asking information for asking to send to~~ said distribution center unit the desired date and time when the receiver end requests to receive the package,

wherein said distribution center unit receives from said receiver terminal unit ~~a receiving date information~~ ~~representing~~ the desired date and time when the receiver requests to receive the package, and generates ~~by referring to said receiving date information~~ a delivery direction information for directing the distribution center to visit the receiver end and to deliver the package on the desired date and time ~~represented by said receiving date information.~~

8. (currently amended) A home delivery system as claimed in claim 5, wherein said distribution center unit sends to said sender terminal unit ~~a delivery finish~~ information ~~representing~~ that the package has been delivered to the receiver end.